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Foreign Affairs Bureau
Ministry of National Defense
Beijing, People's Republic of China

Dear Col Sun,

On behalf of United States Senator Warren Rudman (Republican), I would appreciate the assistance of the Ministry of National Defense Foreign Affairs Bureau in arranging for Senator Rudman to meet with a veteran of the Chinese People's Volunteers who fought in Korea with the 38th Army of the PIA.

Senator Rudman will visit Beijing on Friday and Saturday, 11 - 12 August. This is a private visit on Senator Rudman's part, and the Embassy of the United States of America will sponsor Senator Rudman. The Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs has agreed to host Senator Rudman for Saturday, 12 August. On that day Senator Rudman will meet Vice Premier Wu Xueqian, Mr. Zhu Qizhen of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and former Ambassador to the U.S. Mr. Chai Zemin. In the morning he will visit The Great Wall and The Forbidden City.

Senator Rudman fought in the Korean War as a Lieutenant in the U.S. 2D Infantry Division. His opposing force was the 38th Army of the Chinese People's Volunteers. Prior to reaching China, Senator Rudman will visit the locations where he fought in South Korea. Senator Rudman has requested that arrangements be made in China for him to meet for a short time during the afternoon of 12 August with veterans of the 38th Army who fought in the Korean War. I would appreciate it if you would assist in such arrangements.

Senator Rudman's schedule is being planned by Mr. Wang Deren, Chief of the North American Affairs Division of the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs. Mr. Wang may be reached by telephone at 552573 or 551875. Mr. Wang has stated that arrangements for visits with old army men would require the assistance of The Ministry of National Defense. Major Larry M. Wortzel, of my office, is also assisting in these arrangements.

The Defense Attaché Office of the Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Foreign Affairs Bureau of the Ministry of National Defense the assurances of its highest consideration.

Sincerely,

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